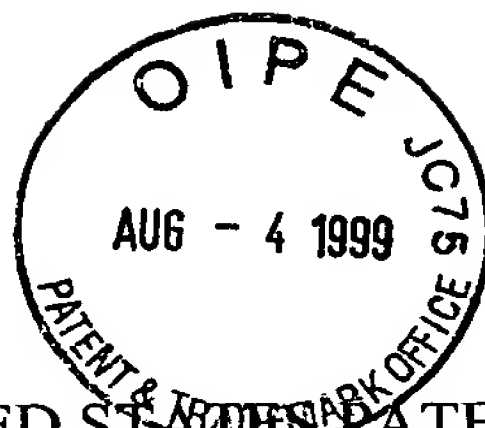


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SIR:

In response to the outstanding Office Action of May 18, 1999, favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present response, is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the following comments, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-46 are pending in this application. Claims 1-2, 11-12, 21-23, 25-28, 30-33, 42-43, and 45-46 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Yukino, U.S. Patent 5,268,770. Claims 6, 16, and 37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Yukino in view of Ohmura et al, U.S. Patent 5,815,280. Claims 24, 29, and 44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Yukino in view of Nakagawa, U.S. Patent 5,819,009. Claims 3-5, 7-10, 13-15, 17-20, 34-36, and 38-41 were objected to as dependent upon rejected base claims, but were noted as allowable if rewritten